

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

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25. (New) A method for promoting the healing of a chronic wound in a patient comprising administering to said patient an amount of a stimulator of IFN- γ sufficient to effect the promotion of healing of said chronic wound.

26. (New) The method according to claim 25, wherein said stimulator of IFN- γ is administered to a site of wounding.

27. (New) The method according to claim 25, wherein between 7,500 and 15,000 IU IFN- γ is administered.

28. (New) The method according to claim 25 wherein said stimulator of IFN- γ is selected from the group consisting of IFN- γ and a partially modified form of IFN- γ .

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29. (New) The method according to claim 25 wherein the stimulator of IFN- γ is administered in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, diluent or excipient.